

REMARKS

In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the subject Application. Applicant believes this communication addresses all issues raised in the 2/21/06 Final Office Action.

Please note that on 2/9/06 Applicant discussed the present case with the Examiner via telephone. The discussion occurred after the Examiner completed the Final Office Action, but before the Final Office Action was received by Applicant. The rejections were discussed. The present communication is consistent with the discussion. Applicant believes that the claim rejections presented in the Final Office Action are moot in light of the present clarifying amendments.

1 **Conclusion**

2 Applicant submits that the above pending claims are in condition for
3 allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of
4 the present Application. Should any issue remain that prevents immediate issuance
5 of the Application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney
6 to discuss the unresolved issue.

7 Respectfully Submitted,

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